

**Agency: Department of Natural Resources****Project Title:**

# Nikiski Inlet Public Viewing Park/Beach Access

**State Funding Requested: \$ 300,000**  
One-Time Need**House District: 34 - Q****Brief Project Description:**

Constructs a public viewing park/beach access overlooking Cook Inlet in Nikiski.

**Funding Plan:****Total Cost of Project: \$300,000**Funding Secured*Amount FY*Other Pending Requests*Amount FY*Anticipated Future Need*Amount FY*

There is no other funding needed

**Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

There is no overlook park in Nikiski and recent actions due to Homeland Security restrictions have shut down beach access points. Residents and visitors would be able to access from this new area.

**Project Timeline:**

Upon notification of inclusion in the capital budget, it is expected that the project will be bid and purchased - constructed with two years.

**Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:**

DNR Division of Parks

**Grant Recipient Contact Information:**

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? ☒ Yes ☐ No



# **KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH**

## **YEAR 2008 STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS**

### **COMMUNITY: NIKISKI**

**Funding Recipient: Nikiski Community Council**

Project Name: Nikiski Inlet Public Viewing Park

Project  
Priority  
Ranking: 2

#### **Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

The Nikiski community desires a public viewing area overlooking Cook Inlet in the Nikiski community. The project was selected as a quality of life goal where its residents and community visitors can enjoy viewing scenic mountains and volcanos, Cook Inlet waters with boats and oil production structures, and access to public beaches. There are only one or two locations along the whole shoreline north of Kenai with public access and where viewing is possible.

**Total Project Cost: \$100,000**

### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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Election Districts: Senate District: Q  
House District: 34

**How has the community shown support for this project? (Volunteerism, money, resolutions, etc.)**

The development of a visitor friendly facility with amenities was brought forth at a community meeting and listed as a goal in the Nikiski Community Plan in May 2001.

**What steps have been taken to date to get this project going?**

The Council reviewed Kenai Peninsula Borough properties for selection sites for facilities starting in 2000. The final selection of a site has not been made.

**How did the Service Area select this project as a funding priority? (Community meeting, survey, etc.)**

The project was selected as a 2008 Legislative Priorities project at the Nikiski Community Council meeting of October 29, 2007.

**If you conducted a community meeting, how was it advertised?**

**When and where was the meeting held?**

Meeting notices were advertised in the local newspaper, as well as postings at the Nikiski Post Office and Nikiski Senior Center.

**Who attended (List specific groups such as community council, APC, general public, etc.)**

Community council members, KPB Representatives, Nikiski Assemblyman Gary Superman, Representative Mike Chenault

**Who owns the property and what is the status of the land for the project?**

The land has not been selected.

**Who will own the project or facility?**

Nikiski Community Council

**How will the project be constructed or accomplished?**

Nikiski Community Council will administer contracts necessary to execute the project. The project is visioned as multi-phased. Approval of this project as phase one will initiate the selection of a property suitable for its vision goals. Other phases would be needed to fund design and construction of any future facilities.

**Who will operate and/or maintain the project or facility?**

Nikiski Community Council